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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

This is in response to the Office Action dated December 19, 2000 (Paper No. 7), in the above-identified application. This response is being timely filed on or before the expiration of the three-month shortened statutory period for response ending on March 19, 2001.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of all pending claims and withdrawal of all rejections, in light of the following remarks.

**REMARKS**

Claims 11-30 are currently pending in the present application.

In Paper No. 7, the Examiner rejects claims 11-30 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a), as being unpatentable over European Patent Application No. EP0594612 of Miettinen, *et al.* ("Miettinen"), in view of Alexander Leaf, *et al.*, "Medical Progress: Cardiovascular Effects on n-